

Sources of flood risk and responsibilities

Reservoir

Asset owner. Environment Agency regulate safety

Network Rail

Maintain drainage assets on public rail network.

Ordinary watercourse

Maintenance is riparian (landowner) including crossings. LLFA coordinate management.

If a river or watercourse runs through your land you may be a riparian landowner. For more information visit www.gov.uk/guidance/owning-a-watercourse

Main river

Maintenance is riparian (landowner) including crossings. Regulated by the Environment Agency

Key

 Local flood risk sources

 Responsible body

Canal

Canal & River Trust responsibility

Groundwater

Landowner. LLFA regulate management.

Surface water

LLFA coordinate management. Often close links with highways and sewer flooding.

Private

Landowner maintains assets (e.g. private sewers, drains)

Mains Sewer

Water company if public supply

Public Highway

Local Highway Authority for local roads. National Highways for motorways and trunk roads. Also responsible for maintaining culverts and bridges beneath highway.

Wastewater Sewer

(Surface water or foul) Water company responsibility if public sewer

